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Sent: Friday, February 1, 2019 3:52 PM
To: Randa Solick <rsolick@gmail.com>
Cc: Scott Mcgilvray <scottm@wateraware.net>; Ron Duncan <RonD@soquelcreekwater.org>
Subject: RE: FW: meeting with you

Hello Randa,

Of course I don't think you intentionally misrepresented what I told you. However, I do think you heard what you wanted to hear rather than what I actually said.

To clarify:

- I **did** say that our demand has dropped, but I **DID NOT say that we no longer need a supplemental supply project.**
- I **did** say that we are working on adding a more robust treatment process to the work we're doing to rehabilitate the Graham Hill Water Treatment Plant, and that I thought our doing so would allow us to access somewhat more water than we currently can because of a greater ability to treat water with higher levels of turbidity than we can deal with currently;
- I **did not say that we would expect to have more water available to transfer, in fact I said JUST THE OPPOSITE.** I said that there is **not enough surface water to reliably meet both the City of Santa Cruz's needs and the needs that Soquel Creek has** to protect the aquifer in their service area from sea water intrusion.
- I don't recall saying anything at all about City water being less expensive than the Pure Water Soquel Project. If I did mention cost, **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES would I have said that transfer water would be cheaper than Pure Water Soquel because, in fact, I don't believe that would be the case, and I particularly don't believe that would be the case if Soquel gets the \$50 million grant it is applying for.**
- I **did** say that, based on modeling results I've seen so far, it is not clear that the City could plan on getting much in the way of water back from an in lieu transfer at least in the near term. It isn't clear to me why you're characterizing this as a "game changer" since the question of how much water we could get back from an in lieu project with Soquel has been unresolved since the WSAC process. The underlying issue is what is it going to take to protect the basin from sea water intrusion? Due to the critical importance of effectively solving that problem, the City and all the Mid-County Groundwater Agency partners would need to prioritize basin sustainability over any other purposes until the sea water intrusion threat has been effectively dealt with.

To the extent that you or others in your group choose to characterize what the opportunities for water transfers are in any manner that doesn't align with the statements above, please know that from my perspective at least, you are purposefully misrepresenting the facts.

Best

Rosemary

From: Randa Solick [<mailto:rsolick@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2019 5:17 PM
To: Rosemary Menard
Cc: Scott Mcgilvray; Ron Duncan (rond@soquelcreekwater.org)
Subject: Re: FW: meeting with you

Sorry for that Rosemary - I had no intention to give wrong information, but was quite sure that's what you said when you spoke with both me and Rick. If you have the time and generosity, please tell me what of those two pieces you see as wrong. The first was that you concluded that you don't need a supplemental supply, since with your new ability to treat turbidity and the reduced demand, you concluded you have enough water for SC City. The second wasn't drawn from your statements, but rather from the knowledge that there's plenty of water, even in this dry 2018 year past, to share with Soquel, it wouldn't cost any additional capital outlay since the intertie is working, and so we're asking Soquel to postpone their expensive purification plant until we see how the transfers work for a few years.

I certainly thought all that was correct. Where is the mistake? You know me well enough by now, and so does Ron, to know I wouldn't be passing around false information on purpose, so it's a bit offensive that you think I did. I'm happy to correct my mistakes though, so I'm looking forward to hearing where they are.

Thank you for considering this. And Ron, if you would be so kind as to share my response along with Rosemary's answer, that would be appreciated. I still hope you have time to talk to me before the Board meeting. Thanks, Randa

On Thu, Jan 31, 2019 at 2:28 PM Rosemary Menard <RMenard@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:
Dear Randa,

With respect to the information below: Your summary of the information I shared with you and the conclusions you have attributed to me or have apparently have drawn on your own relative to what I told you is **incorrect**.

If you persist in going ahead with whatever statements you are planning to make at next week's Soquel Creek Water District meeting related to the content below, you **must not** attribute your conclusions or statements to anything I said, because you obviously got it wrong.

Ron, please feel free to share this email with your board members.

Rosemary

From: Randa Solick <rsolick@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2019 1:06 PM
To: Ron Duncan <RonD@soquelcreekwater.org>
Subject: meeting with you

Hi Ron, I think Scott sent you an email asking if we could meet with you before the Tuesday Board meeting at which the rate increases will be approved.

We have new information from Rosemary, which I'm sure you have. She's concluded that with their new ability to treat turbidity, and the reduced demand since Fiske's older report, SC City doesn't need any supplemental water supply. She's not depending on ever getting any water back from Soquel if they send it here - which is a real game changer.

And the amount of water available for them to transfer here is way more than we thought before. Also the cost is way cheaper.

Do you have 15 minutes that we could come show you what we're looking at? Both Scott and I would like to show you before the public meeting, since we'll have to say that at the meeting anyway and want you to have a chance to respond/react before that.

Thanks Ron, hope all is going well with you. Sincerely as ever, Randa